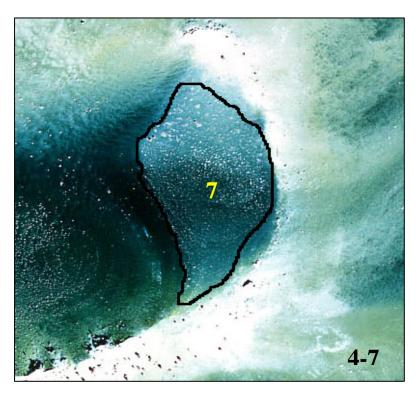
Sand Bluestem Herbaceous Vegetation (7)

Location. This map class is restricted to cinder slopes on the eastern and southern flanks of Sunset Crater. It consists of sparse but nearly pure stands of sand bluestem growing in volcanic cinder.





Photosignature. The characteristic signature for this map class consists of minute grayish white to blue-white specks set in a matrix of smooth greenish-black cinder. A thin litter layer sometimes imparts a whitish cast to the matrix. The texture of the specks is generally finer and more regular than that of map codes 4 or 5. This example is from the rim of Sunset Crater.